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SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™

I'VE GOT YOU AT LAST!

ROBOTNIK, INC.
"WE LOVE TO POLLUTE AND IT SHOWS"

TNT

I'M NOT JUST A CUT-UP...I'M A *CUT-OUT!*

MANAK/D'AGOSTINO

THIS LOOKS LIKE A JOB FOR

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

IN

"THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE HEDGEHOG!"

Part I

YOU'RE RIGHT, ROTOR! ROBOTNIK'S EVIL MACHINE IS POLLUTING THE RIVER WITH TOXIC SLOP!

GLOP! GLOP!

GLOP!

YUCK!

WHERE IS SONIC, ANYWAY?

HAHAHA! IF ONLY THE *FREEDOM FIGHTERS* COULD SEE ME NOW!

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I DON'T KNOW! I'LL SEND SONIC A *SIGNAL* WITH MY SUPER SECRET *SONIC SIGNAL WATCH!* *

* PATENT PENDING!

WHEE WHEE WHEE

MEANWHILE, SOMEWHERE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF MOBIUS...

AWK!

IT'S BEEN *FUN*, BOY! BUT I GOTTA GO! DUTY CALLS!

WHEE WHEE WH

WHAT'S COOKIN', SAL?

ROBOTNIK IS MAKING A MESS, AS USUAL!

I'M ON MY WAY!

HRUMPH! THESE LOCAL *HIGHWAYS* AND *BYWAYS* ARE TOO SLOW FOR MY LIKING! BETTER TAKE A SHORTCUT!

BOING!

... AND THE SHORTEST CUT I KNOW...

TO: COSMIC INTERSTATE!

SECRET ZONE ENTRANCE

WHEREVER YOU GO, THERE YOU ARE!

ZOOOM!

.... IS THROUGH THIS SECRET ZONE ONTO THE *COSMIC INTERSTATE!*

IT'S A *LONG* AND *WINDING* ROAD...

SHORT CUT

SHORTER CUT

SHORTEST CUT

...THAT LEADS TO *EVERYBODY'S* DOOR!

UH-OH! I THINK I MADE MY TRIP A LITTLE TOO LONG-- I OVERSHOT!

WHOOPS! YOU JUST MISSED THE LAST EXIT TO MOBIUS! (SORRY, CHARLIE!)

TO: PARTS UNKNOWN!

NO TIME TO TAKE A MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR!

ABBEY LANE

PENNY LANE

LOIS LA

MARGO LA

GOTTA BACKTRACK-- DOUBLE BACK TO WHERE I ONCE *BELONGED!*

MANY TWISTS AND COUNTLESS TURNS LATER...

THIS IS WHERE I GET OFF...

TO ASK DIRECTIONS!

I DON'T KNOW HOW TO GET WHERE I'M *GOING...*

OFF RAMP

WATCH YOUR STEP!

... FROM WHERE I... AM?!

WHERE AM I?

IT *LOOKS* LIKE MOBIUS... AND IT *SMELLS* LIKE MOBIUS -- BUT EVERYTHING IS ---

DIFFERENT!

SOMETHING'S *VERY* WRONG!

BETTER HIGHTAIL IT TO FREEDOM FIGHTERS' HQ!

MAYBE *PRINCESS SALLY* KNOWS WHAT'S GOING ON...

... AROUND...

...HERE!

ERT!

THIS IS NEW!

HAVE I BEEN GONE *THAT* LONG?

VETERINARY CLINIC

HELLOOO! ANYBODY HOME?

SALLY?

ROTOR?

X-RAY

VID-RAY

COSMIC RAY

MATERNITY WARD

DOCTOR ROBOTNIK?!

HEY, DOC, *LOOK!*

GADZOOKS! IT'S *SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!*

HOLD HIM, BOYS! DON'T LET HIM GET AWAY!

DON'T WORRY, DOC -- HE WON'T!

:GULP: LOOKS LIKE I'M IN THE WRONG PLACE AT THE WRONG TIME!

BUT...

HEY, KIDS! DON'T TRY THIS AT HOME!

...THAT WINDOW...

COULD POSSIBLY...

... HAVE BEEN PLACED...

FOR A *TIMELY* ESCAPE!

I NEED TO PUT SOME *DISTANCE* BETWEEN ME AND THIS *MADHOUSE*...

...BEFORE I RUN INTO ANY MORE...

BONK!

ZING!

ZONG!

...*TROUBLE!!*

End of Part I

HEY! YOU'RE NOT

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

in "THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE HEDGEHOG!" PART 2

I AM!

ARE NOT!

AM TOO!

SEZ WHO?

SEZ ME!

HOLD ON! WAITAMINUTE! SLOW DOWN AND RUN THAT BY ME AGAIN!

WHOMP!

WHOA! SPEED BUMP!

WHAT'S THE HASSLE, SCHMASSLE?

THAT'S WHAT I'D LIKE TO KNOW!

ONE WRONG TURN ON THE COSMIC INTERSTATE, AND SUDDENLY I'M BESIDE MYSELF!
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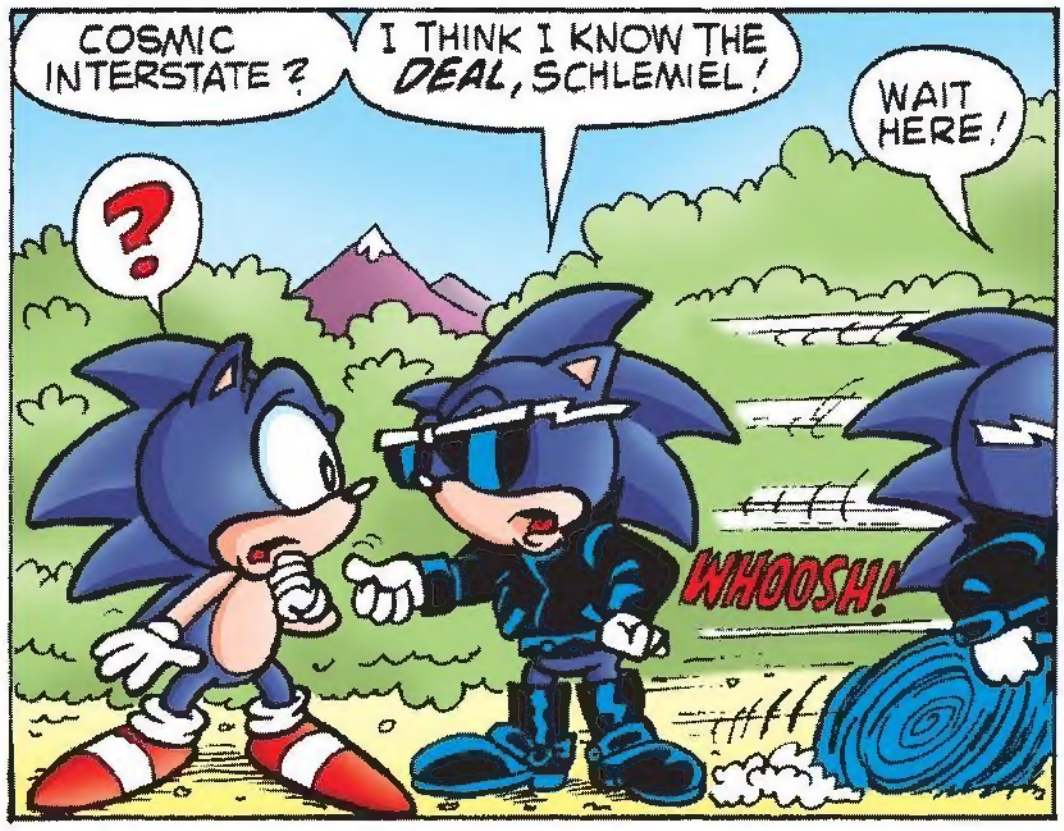
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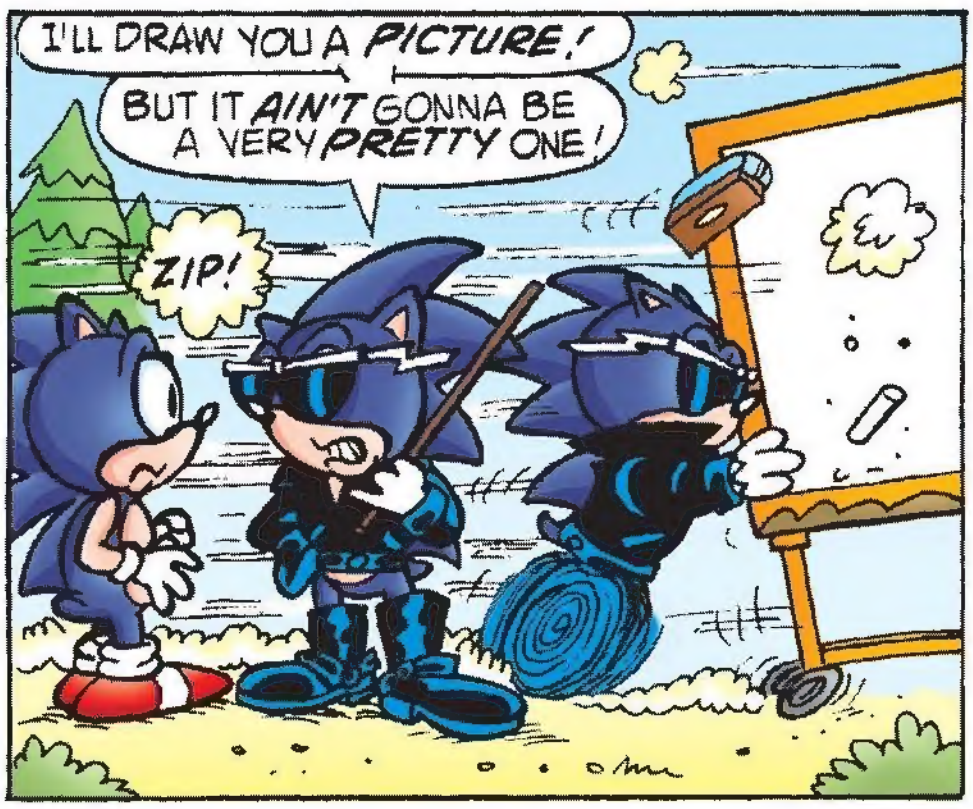
I THINK I KNOW THE DEAL, SCHLEMIEL!
WAIT HERE!
?
WHOOSH!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BUT IT AIN'T GONNA BE A VERY PRETTY ONE!
ZIP!
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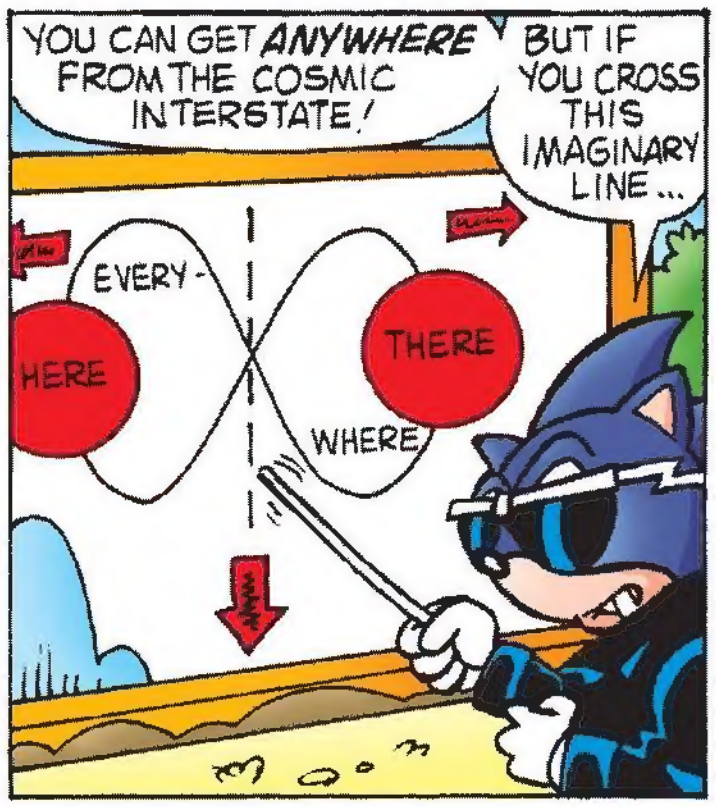
YOU CAN GET ANYWHERE FROM THE COSMIC INTERSTATE!
BUT IF YOU CROSS THIS IMAGINARY LINE...
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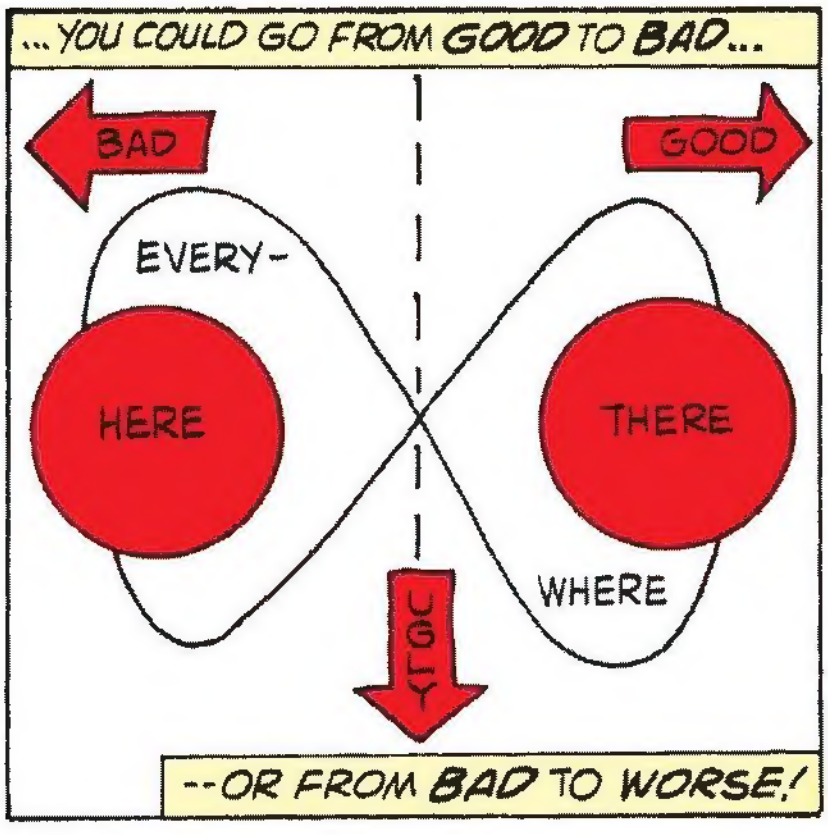
THERE
WHERE


...YOU COULD GO FROM GOOD TO BAD...
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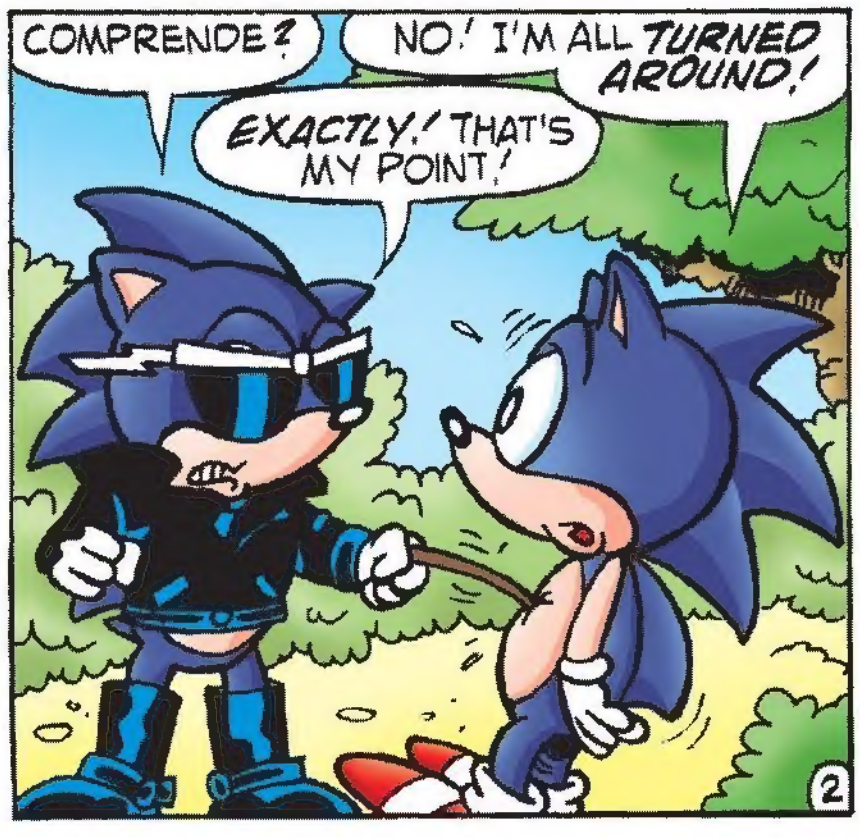
--OR FROM BAD TO WORSE!


COMPRENDE?
NO! I'M ALL TURNED AROUND!
EXACTLY! THAT'S MY POINT!
2

YOU'VE GONE TOTALLY 'ROUND THE BEND, PAL!

WELCOME TO THE *REVERSE* UNIVERSE!

HMM.

THERE

WHERE

HERE, THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS FIGHT *AGAINST* FREEDOM!

TRY SAYING THAT FIVE TIMES FAST!

AND KINDLY OL' *DOC ROBOTNIK* IS LEFT PICKING UP THE PIECES!

OOOH, HOW I DISLIKE HIM!

BETTER?

YES, THANKS!

AND WHEN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG DISLIKES SOMEONE, HE STAYS DISLIKED!

ONE OF THESE DAYS, ME AND THE GANG ARE GONNA TOPPLE HIS TOWER OF HEALING ONCE AND FOR ALL!

VETERINARY CLINIC

HOOO BOY!

I REALLY AM IN THE WRONG PLACE AT THE WRONG TIME!

THIS AIN'T *KANSAS*--AND YOU'RE NO DOROTHY!

I'VE GOTTA GET BACK TO MY *OWN* WORLD BEFORE IT'S TOO...

TRIP!

OOF!

...LATE!

NOT SO *FAST*, PAL!

I'M GIVING THE ORDERS AROUND HERE, *CAPEESH*?!

MEANWHILE, BACK ON THE MOBIUS WE ALL KNOW AND LOVE... BETCHA THOUGHT WE FORGOT, DIDN'T YA?

WHERE COULD SONIC BE KEEPING HIMSELF?

NEVER MIND THAT! WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO WITH THIS GROSS SLIME?

I BET IT WOULD TASTE GREAT ON *TOAST*!

YUM!

YOU ARE HERE!

:SIGH: THIS IS LIKE WATCHING PAINT DRY!

AND IN THE **REVERSE UNIVERSE**... CONFUSING, ISN'T IT?

IT AIN'T OFTEN I RUN INTO SOMEONE WHO CAN KEEP UP WITH ME--

AND I INTEND TO MAKE THE MOST OF IT!

YOU ARE HERE!

YOU'RE THE LEAST OF MY WORRIES, PAL! GET LOST!

YOU SAY YES, I SAY NO!

YOU SAY ***STOP***-- AND I SAY--

GO! GO! GO!

ZIP-A-DEE-DOO-DAH!

ZIP-A-DEE-DAY!

YOU CAN'T LOSE ME BY RUNNING AWAY!

SHEESH! MY EVIL SELF IS REALLY GIVING ME THE RUN-AROUND!

QUIT CHASING MY TAIL!

NO WAY! THIS IS TOO MUCH FUN!

I'LL SAY THIS MUCH FOR HIM-- HE'S CERTAINLY PERSISTENT!

YOU'VE GOT AN ATTITUDE --

BUT MINE'S *BADDER!*

I'M ONLY RUNNING A SECOND OR TWO AHEAD OF THE GUY!

VETERINAR CLINIC

BUT WITH A LITTLE LUCK...

... A SECOND MIGHT BE ALL I NEED!

NYAH! NYAH!

SCREECH!

GYAHH!! HE'S BACK!

QUICK! GRAB HIM!

HEY! WHAT TH'-?!

THAT'S MY CUE TO SKI-DOO!

VROOM!

KER-SPLAT!

CURSES! FOILED AGAIN!

EH, WHAT'S UP, DOC? *

EGADS! A SECOND SONIC!

* WHERE HAVE WE HEARD THAT LINE BEFORE? - Ed.

LATER, AFTER EXPLANATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE...

LET ME ***STETHOSCOPE*** YOU OUT!

SORRY, BUT SPACE/TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE!

SOON...

THERE'S MY EXIT UP AHEAD!

NOT A MOMENT TOO SOON!

INNER MIND

OUTER LIMITS

TO: PHANTOM ZONE

ALL PHANTOMS MUST PAY TOLL!

THIS MEANS YOU, BUB!

EXIT

THOUGH YOU DON'T ALWAYS GET WHAT YOU WANT ...

SONIC!

...SOMETIMES WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM YOUR FRIENDS...

YOU GET *EXACTLY* WHAT YOU NEED!

KINDLY OL' DOC ROBOTNIK'S SUPER SCOOPER SHOULD GET THE *SCOOP* ON THIS *GOOP*!

IT'S A *QUICKER PICKER-UPPER*!

GO, SONIC!

SCHLURP!

AH-OOOGA!

DANGER DANGER

IT CAN'T BE! SONIC IS SLURPING UP THE SLOP FASTER THAN MY SLOPMAKER CAN *SLING* IT!

IT'S GOING TO *BLOW*!!

I'D BETTER MAKE LIKE A BANANA...

...AND SPLIT!

I'LL BE *BACK*!

KRA-KAROOOM!

YOU CAN *COUNT* ON IT!

MY *HERO*! YOU'RE ONE OF A KIND!

PRINCESS-- IF YOU ONLY KNEW...!

SMOOCH!

Blush!

The End!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

...WILL NEVER "BEAT THE CLOCK!"

TICK... TICK... TICK... TICK...

YOU KNOW IT, SWATBOT! HE'LL GET HIS JUST DESSERTS OR MY NAME'S NOT *COCONUTS!*

YOUR NAME WILL BE *MUD* ONCE SONIC CATCHES UP WITH YOU!

TNT

NOT THIS TIME, SISTER! THIS CLEAN, MEAN, FIGHTIN' MACHINE IS TAKIN' THE HEDGEHOG DOWN!

OH BROTHER! NOT AGAIN!

BIG TIME!!

BOP!

BOP!

BOP!

BOP!

DOESN'T ROBOTNIK EVER GIVE UP?

ROBOTNIK?.. ROBOTNIK?!

THIS ISN'T HIS PLAN, PRINCESS!

BOP BOP BOP

I'M MAKIN' MY MOVE TO MOVE TO THE *TOP* OF ROBOTNIK'S *HIT PARADE!*

ROBOTNIK'S TOP TEN!

1- Bat Brain
2- Grounder
3- Scratch
4- Crabmeat
5- Buzzbomber
6- Jaws
7- Caterkiller
8- Newtron
9- Cluck
10- Coconuts

...AND EARN MY GOLD STAR IN THE PROCESS!

SCRATCH MADE *MINCEMEAT* OUT OF *CRABMEAT* WHEN HE DEEP-SIXED SONIC FOR 16 SECONDS--THEN HE "FOWLED" OUT!

WHEN *GROUNDER* TRIED TO FLOOR THAT HEDGEHOG, HE GROUNDED OUT AFTER 17 SECONDS!

CLANK!

BAT BRAIN WAS SMARTER THAN THE BOTH OF THEM! HE WINGED IT FOR 37 SECONDS BEFORE FINALLY CAVING IN!

POF!

BUT NOBODY'S GONNA MAKE A MONKEY OUT OF ME! I'M GONNA GO THE DISTANCE!

YOU'RE NUTS!

THAT'S *COCONUTS* TO YOU! HAVEN'T YOU BEEN PAYING ATTENTION?

TNT HIGH EXPLOSIVES

IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE SONIC CLEANS YOUR CLOCK!

AHHH, BUT TIME IS ON MY SIDE!--- SEE?

~ EVIL PLAN ~

WHILE MY *TIME BOMB* TICKS AWAY THE SECONDS TO YOUR DOOM, SONIC WILL BE *DAZZLED, DAZED* AND *DELAYED* BY MY NEVER-ENDING MAZE!

gasp!

HEY, KIDS! THINK YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO OUTPACE SONIC? -- *RACE YA!*

CAN YOU GET TO THE END OF THIS MAZE AND AVOID ALL THE SWATBOTS AND TRAPS?

START →

UNDERGROUND EXPLOSIVES

"WHAT'S YOURS IS MINED!"

QUICKSAND

"THAT SINKING FEELING AGAIN!"

BOTTOMLESS PIT AND PENDULUM - "GOOD TO THE LAST DROP!"

TRAPDOOR

"FALL COMES EARLY THIS YEAR!"

FUNNY, HE'S NEVER BEEN THIS LATE BEFORE!

PRINCESS, IN CASE THIS IS THE *ONE* TIME WHEN *TIME* BEATS SONIC...

...WE'VE BEEN WONDERING... WHERE DO *WE* RANK ON YOUR "TOP TEN" LIST?

SORRY, BOYS -- SONIC TAKES ALL TEN SLOTS ON *MY* LIST,* *

* TRUE -Ed.

I *KNEW* IT! IN THE NICK OF TIME AGAIN!

HE-ERE I COME TO SAVE THE DA-A-A-Y!!!

TIME TO EXPLOSION: 00:03

SONIC!!

IT AIN'T *MIGHTY MOUSE!*

EVERYBODY... LET'S MAKE A *TIMELY* ESCAPE!

00:02

SCREEEEEEEE...

WAIT A SECOND!*

WHAT ABOUT MY...

CLICK!

...PLAN?

* AND THAT'S ALL HE'S GOT... ONE SECOND! - Ed

00:01

UH-OH...

TNT

00:00

KA-BLOOEY!

GAME OVER

IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU GOT HERE!

HEY! I TOOK MY TIME!

SECRET HQ

GROAN! WHAT TIME IS IT?

TIME TO GET A NEW CLOCK!

OH, WELL, I DID GET MY STARS EVEN THOUGH I GOT TICKED OFF AND MADE A MONKEY OUT OF MYSELF AGAIN!

THE END

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

THAT'S ME!!

in FOOD FOR THOUGHT OR "YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT!"

BUY MILK!

SINCE IT'S AFTER MIDNIGHT, I'LL MAKE MYSELF A COMBINATION LATE-NIGHT SNACK AND EARLY PRESENT!

WHY? BECAUSE I DESERVE IT!!

AND WHAT'S THE PERFECT GIFT FOR A HUNGRY *HERO*?!

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MORE CHILI-DOGS THAN A HEDGEHOG SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO *HAVE*, OF COURSE!

WONDER WHY THAT IS?

(GROAN)... NOW I KNOW!

I CAN'T BELIEVE I ATE THE *WHOOOOLE* THING!

LOOKS LIKE I'M LOSING THE BATTLE OF THE... BURP! BULGE!

MY TUMMY HURTS!

...DON'T KNOW HOW I'M EVER GONNA GET BACK TO...

...SLEEEPPP

ZOOM ZZZZZZ

IT'S NEW!

IT'S IMPROVED!

ZIP!

IT'S FORTIFIED WITH 18 ESSENTIAL VITAMINS... AND IRON!

ZIP!

ZIP!

WHAT IS THIS NEW TASTE SENSATION... THE FLAVOR OF THE "WEAK"?

SCREECH!

IT'S THE FASTEST FOOD ON MOBIUS...

SONIC THE CHILI-DOG

WHAT'S COOKIN', PRINCESS?

THAT'S WHAT I'D LIKE TO KNOW!

A PIZZA DELIVERY GUY JUST DROPPED THIS OFF!

HRUMPH! FAN MAIL FROM SOME FLOUNDER, NO DOUBT!

ROLL TAPE!

RATS! I HATE INFOMERCIALS!!

"WHAT'S COOKIN' NOW?" WITH CHEF IVO ROBOT-BURGER

IS THIS THING ON?

AH-HEM!

TODAY, I'M GOING TO SHOW YOU HOW TO KENTUCKY FRY TAILS... EXTRA CRISP AND CRUNCHY!!

PLEASE... WHATEVER YOU DO, HOLD THE ONIONS!

- NOT PROFESSIONAL ACTORS - (OBVIOUSLY)

START BY BRINGING A BIG OL' VAT OF KISSCO™ OIL* TO A RAGIN', CAJUN BOIL!

KissCo

ADD SONIC'S SIDEKICK... SEASONED TO TASTE...

*PAID ENDORSEMENT-

...AND MMMM MMMMMMMM!! LIP SMACKIN' GOOD!

HI, MA!

DON'T DELAY! ACT TODAY! DIAL 1-800-FREE-FOOD!

GOOD GRIEF! IT LOOKS LIKE TAILS' ***GOOSE*** IS ABOUT TO BE ***COOKED***... AND HIM ALONG WITH IT!

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO, SONIC?

WHAT I ALWAYS DO, PRINCESS...

...PULL THE LITTLE GUYS FAT OUT OF THE DEEP-FAT-FRYER!

...QUICKER THAN YOU CAN SAY...

ZOOS

WELCOME TO BURGE-TROPOLIS HAVE IT MY WAY.. OR ELSE!

OVER 90 BILLION ENSLAVED!

DOM!!

..."WHAT'S THE BEEF?"

OUR "FISH" HAS TAKEN THE BAIT! HE'S SWALLOWED OUR PARTY LINE... HOOK, LINE AND SINKER! TIME TO REEL HIM IN. YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO, COCONUTS!

RIGHT, BOSS!

...SEND THAT LITTLE TWINKLE OUT TO LUNCH!

SONIC! LOOK OUT!

ZIP!

PLOP!

WHOOPS!!

WHOOPS!!

THERE IT IS!

SLIIIP

THERE HE GOES!

BONK!

I'VE BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS DAY WITH GREAT *RELISH*, HEDGEHOG--YOUR *GOOSE* IS COOKED!

GOOSE? THAT REMINDS ME... I'D BETTER *MOVE* MY BUNS!

NO WAY, CHILI-DOG--IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO *FRY*!! HEH, HEH, HEH!

KETCHUP

MUSTARD

RADAR RANGE

YOU FLAME-BROILED FIEND!

WHAT A PICKLE!!

LOOKS LIKE ROBOT-BURGER'S GONNA HAVE IT HIS WAY, AFTER ALL!!

BOING!

OH NOOOO.....

(YAWN) NOW I KNOW HOW THE *CHILI-DOGS* FEEL!

I'M *NEVER* GOING TO LET MY APPETITE GET THE BETTER OF ME AGAIN!

NOT EVEN ON MY BIRTHDAY!

SURPRISE!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SONIC!

AND WHAT'S THE PERFECT GIFT FOR A HUNGRY HERO?

GULP! CHILI-DOGS?!

ACTUALLY, GUYS, I WAS THINKING OF GOING ON A DIET...

...BUT...

...YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY...

...A CHILI-DOG IS A *DOG-GONE* THING TO *WASTE*!

CHOMP!

YUM!

CHOMP!

CHOMP!

THE END